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SUBJ: MALMGREN MEETING WITH IRISH OFFICIALS ON GATT ARTICLE

XXIV:6 RENEGOTIATIONS

1. AMBASSADOR MALMGREN PRESENTED US POSITION ON ARTICLE XXIV:6  
RENEGOTIATIONS AT WORKING DINNER AT DCM'S RESIDENCE ATTENDED BY  
GOI FONOFF PREMSEC HUGH MCCANN, FONOFF ECONOMIC ASSISTANT SEC-  
RETARY EAMON GALLAGHER, INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE ASSISTANT SECRETARY  
DESMOND CULLIGAN (GOI 113 COMMITTEE REP), AGRICULTURE ASSISTANT  
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SECRETARY JIMMY O'MAHONY, OTHER FONOFF OFFICIALS AND AMBASSADOR,

DCM, AND EMBOFFS. PRESENTATION WAS SIMILAR TO THAT MADE AT EARLIER MEETINGS ON MALMGREN TRIP.

2. GALLAGHER ACTED AS SPOKESMAN FOR IRISH. WHILE HE AND OTHERS EMPHASIZED SEVERAL TIMES THAT IRISH HAD NO SIGNIFICANT PROBLEMS WITH ANY ITEMS ON US JAN 14 AIDE MEMOIRE LIST, ESPECIALLY ITEMS THEY BELIEVED WE REGARDED AS MOST IMPORTANT: CITRUS, TOBACCO, KRAFT PAPER, AND TRUCKS, IRISH SAID THEY DID NOT BELIEVE US EFFORTS TO MODIFY EC DECEMBER 13 OFFER WOULD SUCCEED. GALLAGHER STRESSED THAT CURRENT COMMUNITY DIVISIONS ON REGIONAL POLICY, ENERGY POLICY, AND BREAKDOWN IN PROGRESS TOWARD ECONOMIC AND MONETARY UNION WOULD MAKE IT IMPOSSIBLE TO REOPEN 24:6 QUESTION. SAYING HE WAS SPEAKING FRANKLY ESPECIALLY BECAUSE IRELAND WAS NOT AFFECTED BY US LIST, GALLAGHER PREDICTED NO CHANGE IN EC POSITION IF REEXAMINATION UNDERTAKEN, AND LONG PROCESS UNLIKELY TO LEAD TO ANY GOOD RESULT. MCCANN ASKED WHY US HAD TO RAISE ISSUE NOW AND SEEMED TTC BE MAKING IT "LARGER THAN LIFE;" MALMGREN SPELLED OUT AG VIEW OF PRIMORDIAL IMPORTANCE OF PROBLEM OUTLINED PROGRESS OF NEGOTIATIONS TO DATE AND OUR DISAPPOINTMENT WITH EC EFFORTS TO RESOLVE IT.

3. TOWARD END OF CONVERSATION ON 24:6 GALLAGHER SAID THERE MIGHT BE SOME CHANCE OF REOPENING EC POSITION IF REGIONAL POLICY PROBLEM RESOLVED, AND IF ITALIANS IN FACT WILLING RECONSIDER CITRUS AND TOBACCO, HE AND OTHERS WOULD GO 113 COMMITTEE IRIACTED GOI WOULD DW WILLING SUIVORT REVISION OF EC OFFER, BUT APPEARS UNLIKELY IRISH WILL TAKE ANY LEADING ROLE.

4. CONVERSATION ALSO RANGED OVER ENERGY, WITH MCCANN VOICING SUPPORT FOR FEBRUARY 11 CONFERENCE BUT CARPING THAT ARRANGEMENTS SHOULD HAVE BEEN MADE THROUGH EXISTING OECD STRUCTURE, AND AGRICULTURE, WITH O'MAHONY PREDICTING NO SIGNIFICANT REVIEW OF CAP THIS YEAR.

5. COMMENT: WHILE IRISH REPEATEDLY USED FRENCH-TYPE ARGUMENTS, THEY ALSO STRESSED DISTASTE FOR FRENCH ATTITUDE TOWARD MATTER IN HIGHLY DEROGATORY AND EXPLICIT LANGUAGE. IRISH PROBABLY WOULD LIKE TO HELP GET THIS PROBLEM OUT OF US-EC RELATIONS, BUT ARE UNWILLING TO GET IN THE MIDDLE OF THE SCRAP.

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6. THIS MESSAGE WAS DRAFTED AFTER AMBASSADOR MALMGREN'S DEPARTURE.  
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